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## PRINCE GEORGE

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ARRIVING THURSDAY.

### Government Party Under Consideration.

An official reception at the newly completed Statue Pier to be followed by a Government House party is one of the suggestions which are being considered in connection with the visit to Hongkong of H.R.H. Prince George who is due to arrive on Thursday by the P. & O. liner, the s.s. Malwa.

When the first announcement and bugles and dancing by the was made of Sub. Lieutenant Prince George's appointment to the Scottish Company of the S.V.C. H.M.S. Hawkins the arrangement was that he should join the Headquarters Ship of the China Command at Singapore. As Prince George would therefore have arrived in Hongkong merely as Lieut. George an official reception by the Government here would not have been in accordance with etiquette, if indeed, it had been possible.

Trying to H.M.S. Hawkins being in Shanghai Prince George will arrive in Hongkong as a "distinguished guest" on Thursday, whatever may be his recognized status on future occasions when he, in common with other sub-lieutenants, will be given shore leave. As a "distinguished guest" it is permissible for him to be entertained in his capacity of Prince and the Hongkong Government has decided to arrange something in his honour during the short time that he is here, before he proceeds to Shanghai by the Malwa.

The suggestions indicated above are being considered, but upon enquiry this morning the "China Mail" was informed that nothing definite had yet been decided.

Prince George left Singapore yesterday morning. Whilst there he was the guest of honour at a brilliant military pageant arranged partly in his honour and with the prime motif of celebrating the trooping of the colours in 1837 at the accession of Queen Victoria. The soldiers represented consisted of all the arms garrisoned at Singapore since its foundation.

Over 250 men took part in this imposing ceremonial the prologue of which took the form of a torchlight tattoo with massed bands

### STEAMER'S CARGO.

### AEROPLANES SEIZED HERE.

### HAUL OF DRUGS.

On Saturday the Imports and Exports Department seized a quantity of drugs and aeroplanes from a British vessel lying alongside the Kowloon wharves.

No details are available at the moment as the authorities are reticent.

Rumours are current that the aeroplanes were intended for another Government, possibly, one of the Chinese factions up North. It is also stated that the flying machines were packed in a number of cases.

The nature of the drugs is also unknown.

Ilicit drugs are, of course, contraband and the fact of the aeroplanes being shipped to a foreign power is said by the "China Mail" informant to constitute an infringement.

### DANCING DISPLAY.

### MME. DAILY'S LOCAL SUCCESS.

Pleasing indeed was Mme. Louisa Daily's display of dancing at the Theatre Royal on Saturday night. Each item made a direct appeal to the imagination and was carried through with charm and grace. The costumes incidental to each dance were in exquisite taste and aided much to the enjoyment of the audience. The well-known "dying swan" was a popular item; but for imaginative effort the death of the moth earned chief honours; whilst the peacock dance was another popular item, to say nothing of the cupid dance. Mme. Daily had the assistance of a small but efficient orchestra; whilst the violin contributions of M. Ilyinsky were much appreciated.

Constantinople, May 24.—Forty-four persons, passengers and crew, were drowned when the Turkish coaster Horakka, with a cargo of coal, foundered in a storm at the entrance to the Bosphorus. The violent gale considerably damaged a cable which telegraphic communication had been interrupted. Report.

## SAVED BY INCHES.

### Motor Lorry Driver's Escape.

### FRONT WHEELS IN SPACE.

### STARTLING STUBBS ROAD ACCIDENT.

What can only be described as a marvellous escape from death was that of a P.W.D. lorry driver who hung suspended with his lorry above the Mahomedan Cemetery at Happy Valley yesterday afternoon with only the two rear wheels on the ground.

A projection on which rested the stout rear mudguards appeared to be the only thing that prevented the lorry from slipping headlong down the slope.

Needless to say, a large crowd soon collected, but of course offered

## BREAK AT LAST. REPORTED CANTON FIGHTING. COMPLICATED SITUATION.

### Public Safety Bureau Chief Visits Hongkong.

From reports received during the week-end it appears that hostilities have actually broken out between the non-Cantonese mercenaries and the Communistic Kuomintang adherents of Dr. Sun who wield the civil power in Canton.

According to reliable sources, two brigades of Yunnanese have moved forward from the East River sector towards Swatow where they took over outposts in the territory of General Hau Shung-chi, the Kuomintang commander who drove out Chan Kwing-ming. Several detachments in the hinterland of Swatow are stated to have surrendered their arms to the Yunnanese without offering resistance. In other parts of the province

there have been military movements on both sides. Commander Chu Pui-tuk who leads a band loyal to the Kuomintang Communists is said to be cut off from Canton through other Yunnanese making forced marches by night and occupying Shikwan to prevent his return by way of the North River and the Canton-Shikwan Railway.

General Wu Techen, who is head of the Public Safety Bureau (Police Commissioner) in Canton is reported to have come down to Hongkong during the week-end. His name has always been associated with the Communists but although all the Kuomintang offices have been removed to the south side of the river, he remains in Canton city where the allied mercenaries — the Yunnanese and the Kwangsi-ites are in power.

Canton merchants, reports the "China Mail" correspondent, have been discussing means to protect themselves should the worst come to pass.

It is the consensus of opinion that one side must make a move within a week or so at the most as the present impossible situation cannot last indefinitely. There is still another Yunnanese warlord come into the picture. This is General Fan Shek-sang, Canton's erstwhile strong man, who led an expedition into Kwangsi, to make for his native province where he wished to avenge the putting to death of his father by Tuchun Tang Chi-yao. Should General Fan take it into his head to return to the Kuomintang banner and fight his fellow provincials, there is a chance of Dr. Sun's followers holding out. To become the soldier of the hour, he would have to fight his way through hostile territory. Meanwhile the question is—Can the Kuomintang hold out in Honan with dwindling revenue and, on paper, inferior forces, while their subordinates are beyond the North and East Rivers and their ally is in Kwangsi? From what has been seen so far, it seems as if the Communists will endeavour to fight for a stand, such stand to be maintained by intrigue rather than military domination.

Happily, this time neither side has the sympathies of the civil population, who have had their lesson and prefer peace without persecution.

### ROCK AT BOWLS.

### KOWLOON BLASTING INCIDENT.

### CONTRACTOR FINED.

At the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, a Chinese foreman was charged with carrying out blasting operations near the Kowloon Docks without taking the necessary precautions.

Sub-Inspector Clark stated in evidence that he visited the scene at 11 o'clock yesterday morning and saw the charges being put in and heavy weights placed over them. An hour later witness was playing bowls at the Kowloon Dock when a large piece of rock fell into the ground.

A fine of \$100 was imposed.

### TERrible INJURIES.

During blasting operations yesterday at a site owned by the Rural Land Investment Company in Stubbs Road, a Chinese cook failed to get away before a charge exploded. The man received terrible injuries to his head from fragments of rock, and expired in a short time.

### OPium FIND.

At the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, an order was made for the confiscation of 650 taels of prepared opium, valued at nearly \$8,000. The opium was found on the s.s. Empress of Russia by the Captain of the vessel, who handed it over to the police.

Baghdad, May 23.—Recent intermittent skirmishing developed into actual fighting yesterday, when the Kurds under Sheikh Mahmud determinedly attacked a Regiment of Irak Cavalry between Sulaiman and Salebjah. Aircraft co-operated with the Cavalry, inflicting heavy losses on the enemy, who drew off by nightfall. The Cavalry's losses are comparatively slight.—Reuters.

Brussels, May 23.—The Liberal M. Max, who moved the vote of censure on the Van de Viree police by Mr. C. C. Hickling, living in 3 Branksome Towers, May Road, that sum of money and a watch amounting to a total value of \$88 were stolen from a drawer on Saturday night.

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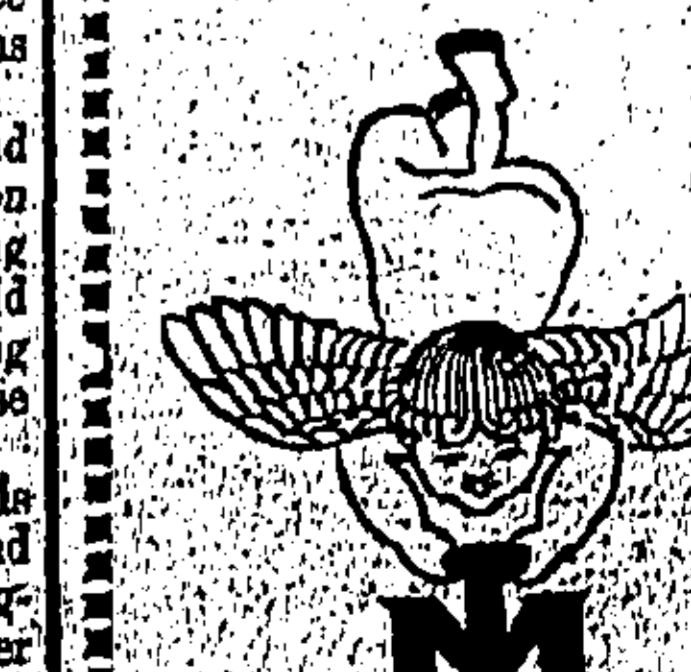
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Loyalty was the key-note of the address given at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, yesterday, by the Rev. R. J. Northcott, Chaplain to the Forces, also of many other sermons of special significance given at other churches in view of Sunday being Empire Day.

It is a mistake to think that because a man is loyal to his own country he is disloyal to the greater ideal of the brotherhood of nations said the Chaplain to the Forces.

The opposite is, in fact, the case. Until man has learnt loyalty to the smaller things he is not able to appreciate the larger things. Teach a man to love his own home, his own school, his own Regiment, and you need not worry about whether he is going to love his own country. And teach man to love his own country and you will not find him unsympathetic to a greater vision of loyalty. Because Loyalty is not a matter of terms. It is a matter of character. When you have got a loyal man you have got something on which you can depend, something on which you can build!

To-day is Empire Day, and if you want to know what the British Empire is built upon, I will give it to you in one word, Loyalty. A simple and natural loyalty that is driven into the very foundations of the British character. A loyalty that starts at school and goes right on through life. The men who made the British Empire did not set out with the deliberate intention of making it the greatest Empire in the world. British people never had the ambitions of a Napoleon, or a German Emperor. They never had, they never will have, any particular wish to rule the world. The men who made the Empire great set out on their quest, for the most part, like a lot of schoolboys, driven by the love of shins, by the love of the sea, driven by the sheer love of adventure. But whenever they went shoulder to shoulder. Wherever they fought, they fought back to back. And to every one of them the keynote of their faith was this, that one man should never let another man down. That is how Britons were true to each other, and as they were true to each other they were true also to their world. They might do many things they should not do, but this one thing you could always say about them, that wherever the British flag flew, there you could trust Britain, to the last ship, to the last man.

It behoves us then, dear children, to renew on this Civil Festival of Empire Day our deep sense of loyalty to the Crown and gratitude to those at present responsible for the maintenance of the grand traditions of that Empire on which the sun never sets. May loyalty to the flag be ever one of the outstanding characteristics of our Schools located in this tiny outpost of the Empire. We have recently had striking proof of this warm feeling of loyalty and practical patriotism that pervades the whole Empire and welds its several parts into one. The Wembley Exhibition has revealed and will continue to reveal to ourselves and the whole world that though the British Empire is widely scattered it is in heart and mind closely united. We read day by day of the enthusiastic receptions accorded H.R.H. the Prince of Wales in the different parts of the Empire which he honours with his presence. Everywhere the Prince has had evidence of that pride of race, that unity of sentiment and purpose, that feeling of common loyalty and obligation, that eager desire to claim a share, as we all are, in the glories of a great Empire with past, and it may be, a greater future. It must not be forgotten, dear children, that the youth of today will be the spine of that hoped-for greater future. It will be up to them to see to it not only that "Britons never shall be slaves" but that they uphold the high standard of freedom and passionate love of Justice or fair play set them by their ancestors, and bring others to have a share in that liberty-loving spirit of which they are the fortunate possessors.

But all this cannot be hoped for

conventional theologians fought the new cosmology long and fiercely.

It by no means followed that the foundations of faith were cut away from us in "the height, the depth, the gloom, the glory." Modern astronomy had demonstrated the oneness of the Universe. While it was true that "one star differeth from another star in glory," the same chemical elements were yet to be found in the atmospheres of giant and dwarf stars alike. Matter was subject to the same laws in the most distant part of the Universe as here on earth.

In conclusion the speaker said—On a day like this we do well to humble ourselves. In our Empire we have great responsibilities. The size of God's domain should not frighten us and make us feel hopeless. It should rather encourage us to use the spark of the divine spirit which is in each of us to His greater glory. When we take a big view of things troubles and trials seem trivial, sorrows subside in a soothng rest in the Lord Who is working His purposes out.

Let us therefore ascribe any honour we have, any might, any majesty, any dominion and power to Him henceforth and for evermore."

LAW, ORDER, LIBERTY.

That it behoved them all to renew on this day their deep sense of gratitude to an Empire under the flag of which could be enjoyed civil and religious freedom was the theme of the address of the Rev. Father Spada given yesterday at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception to children of many schools and a large number of adults also.

"We all know the Empire stands for law and justice," said the Rev. Father Spada. "These are the two strands of the cord that unite this whole mighty family of nations, independently of race or colour. Law, order, and, liberty are the three watchwords of every true Briton, both in the Motherland or in Greater Britain over the seas. As to religious liberty—nothing is left to be desired. Our Holy Mother the Church is allowed to carry on her God-given Mission of uplifting fallen humanity without let or hindrance. If we ourselves feel quite safe in this beautiful little Colony, it is due solely to the fact that the Empire flag floats proudly over our island home, and that small portion of territory across the water.

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The schools participating in the service at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception were as follows:—

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LLOYD'S. A1.

That H.M. the King should lay the foundation stone of Lloyd's new premises, is not a little significant. The King commented on the traditional honour and integrity of the corporation whose history embodied the highest qualities of British commerce. What is this history to which the King referred? Out of the 400 years that insurance has existed in Britain, the first 100 years knew nothing of Lloyd's or of insurance companies. Policies were taken round the City by the merchants' or the shipowners' clerks, or by brokers appointed for the purpose, to the offices of the bankers, merchants, and moneylenders scattered over the different parts of the City, who carried on insurance business in addition to their ordinary avocation. This tedious method of effecting insurance lasted for a hundred years, but during the latter part of the century the necessity for speeding up the process became pressing, and, very opportunely, coffee houses came into vogue about that time. They were used as meeting places for different classes of men; some were the chosen resort of politicians, and action, while others were frequented by commercial men, and these latter gradually came into notice, certain of them being identified

Empire Needs. Whatever may be said of the Crown Agents system it presumably means that the Colony's money is being spent in Home markets. On the grounds of sentiment only this is highly desirable; and more so at the present when Britain appears to be the largest sufferer in Europe from the unemployment curse. The distribution of doles continues, but it is receiving well merited castigation at the hands of hard-headed economists, devoid of sickly sentiment, who deplore what seems a strange waste of money—an endowment of ease! The Labour Party's latest proposal has been one to grant £10,000,000 to a National Employment and Development Board which would be empowered to make advances to dominion or colonial governments, and to commercial enterprises to be spent anywhere in the Empire for purposes connected with labour and employment. The proposal has been

turned down because it affords no real solution for unemployment, and would add to the burdens of taxpayers. A slight relief might be afforded by a measure of compulsory emigration. It should be possible to provide Empire Settlements in such places as Australia and Canada, where unemployed of reasonable intelligence and accomplishments could be accommodated. It is a fact that a large class of Australia's immigrant population come from Greece and Italy. In sugar producing districts the wanderer from southern Europe is probably better fitted than his northern neighbour, to work in torrid zones; but Australia has other "open spaces" awaiting development besides sugar producing regions to which the English settler would soon accustom himself. And a transfer from slum or thickly populated areas would mean fresh life and opportunity. If a great war necessitated conscription, a great social disease should need the same treatment.

Earl Ypres.

A mere matter of coincidence perhaps, but it has to be noted that the late Lord French took his title from a noted spot in France. But whenever his life comes to be written—if at all—his biographer will doubtless lay emphasis on the days of the last Boer War when a dashing Cavalry Officer helped to turn the tide of victory and to raise hope from despair. Those were gloomy days. General Buller, it is said, would not take control unless he could have French with him, and as has been said the brilliant cavalry tactics of those days—continued when Lord Roberts was Commander-in-Chief—played a peculiar part in a peculiar and little understood method of warfare. Of the late Field-Marshal's participation in the great war, the title which was bestowed upon him probably speaks for itself. It is perhaps too early to judge clearly and to find true appraisement of all the men who participated in the conflict that literally has turned the world upside down. Since the Armistice there has been a stream of diaries, recollections, and impressions of combatants, generals and ministers of state connected with the struggle, of a bewildering nature in which reputations have been torn to shreds. Whatever may be said of the Earl of Ypres' work, his brilliance in the South African Campaign earns for him the name the grateful recollection of a great nation.

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Speeches were made by the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall, Chinese representative on the Legislative Council, Mr. Li Yau-chuen, Chairman of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Ip Lan-chuen, Secretary of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Ho Siu-sai, compradore of the Mercantile Bank of India Limited, and Mr. Wong Tong, representative of the Kwong Tong United Chambers of Commerce, all of whom wished the Company every success and referred to the importance of the Company being the possessors of the Royal

Emblem. There were also present Mr. Tau Yee-pai, Manager, The Bank of China, and Mr. Te Tsan-tai, besides over 100 guests from the different business houses and Banks of the Colony.

After speeches were made by the Chairman (Mr. Siu Shui-cheung) and guests, a photograph of the gathering was taken. Tea was served by The Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels Limited, and a most pleasant evening was brought to a close.

## TO-DAY'S SMILE.



## A LONG SON.

What? I have got no sign for this journal. Tell him to wait until I have had my dinner. I'll let you know if I have a child!"

—*Advertiser for Blotter, Munich.*

## SHREDS AND PATCHES.

Phrenology is at a discount, physiology is on short time, and psychology is tired. The newest test of character and force is neckology, and a well-known society journal has just illustrated the characteristics of successful men by the backs of their heads. The bull neck appears to have so great promise that men interviewed for responsible posts may shortly be asked to turn their backs on their prospective employers, and a new meaning will attach to "putting your back into it."

## THE SOCIAL FAILURE.

I used to be a success, To parties I was asked a lot, But nowadays to my distress I'm not.

My masterpiece with cards was gay,

In fact the thing was overdone, But what a different tale to-day!

Not one!

It's not that I've become a dunce At bridge; I know it's not, because

I'm ten times better now than once I was.

It's not, as far as I can see, My politics; I don't obtrude My views at parties—that would be

So rude.

My personal appearance? No, I can't have changed so much as that,

(Though I've a tendency to grow Too fat.)

I've paid my bridge debts on the nail,

—Yes, sometimes quite a tidy sum—

Why is it invitations fail To come?

It can't be—yes, of course! I say!

I might have known that all along,

It's all because I cannot play Mah Jong!

A reporter at Willesden has rescued a real gem of cross-examination. "Do you call her a rude woman?" "No, I call her a vulgar lady."

That is all that comes to us of the case, but the fascination is in the differentiation in the reply. Who and what is a lady? There is no technical and there is no legal definition of lady. It is perhaps a bit startling to find that there is no official document in which the title of "lady" has any recognition. The wife of a knight or a baronet is officially "Dame" So-and-So. The wife of a peer is baroness, viscountess, or countess, as the case may be. Who is a lady? There is not even an equivalent of the utterly incorrect legal dictum that a gentleman is a man who owns a gig. And gigs

came to an end before women were emancipated. Can any woman become an esquire? If so, how? And can any woman hold certain offices without becoming one? And how on this earth could she ever fulfil the ancient duties of an esquire? There is an old saying that Parliament can do anything—except make a woman into a man.

Dauntly step OPINION WANTED. sounds without, the door swings open, and a man enters. The tune he has been whistling dies on his lips, the colour ebbs from his face. His eyes, wide as the woman's, are riveted on the same spectacle. Then, suddenly, a sharp voice breaks the deathly stillness.

"Don't stand there like a moonstruck calf; George, come here and tell me what you think of my shingle!"

Not long since, THE RIFT Times of London ran a leading editorial headed: "On Paying Taxes." In it the official form, "Your obedient servant," was discussed, a fact which recalled to a correspondent of the paper a story which more than bears repetition. It appears that a former Bishop of St. Asaph, Dr. Joshua Hughes, and an old college friend, the Rev. James Jones, who was vicar of Llawry-Bettws, at one time kept up a pleasant correspondence of a quite intimate nature, the vicar being addressed as "My dear Jones." At last, however, a remonstrance from the latter against an episcopal appointment, which the bishop regarded as an undue liberty, brought the happy relationship to an end. The bishop, therefore, began his next letter to the vicar with the phrase, "My dear Sir," and closed it, "Your obedient servant, J. St. Asaph." The offended vicar thereupon replied in similar terms, and not to be outdone ended his epistle, "Your obedient servant, J. Llawry-Bettws."

It is pleasant to learn on the authority of the American hairpin king that the bobbing of hair has made no difference to his trade. One suspects that no fashion in hairdressing would ever exclude bent pins, for the mere male gazes in wonder at the multifarious uses to which his womankind devote the hairpin. In the hands of a woman it will do anything from mending a sewing machine to picking a lock. Perhaps the greatest triumph was that of the wife of a journalist whose typewriter refused its office. With perfect confidence he called in his wife; there was a dive for a hairpin, and the errant part was replaced at least temporarily.

## THE ORIGINAL CRUSOE.

When "Robinson Crusoe" was a new book, they said that every old woman bought it, and left it as a legacy with the "Pilgrim's Progress," the "Practice of Piety," and "God's Revenge against Murthen," remarks a home paper. Two hundred years after it is still one of the books which everybody is supposed to know, and a great many do. Still Robinson Crusoe himself is one of the world's heroes, a man who touches the imagination of all sorts and conditions of people. The author's achievement is the greater, because, as Dickens pointed out, the book is without tenderness, and Crusoe himself has no particular charms: "The magic is in his situation and in the vivid realism with which it is described. The shipwrecked man on the lonely, mysterious island—here is a subject which stirs the pulses of everyone who was not born old. For two hundred years no one has doubted that the industries, but not very original, imagination of Defoe was set to work upon the facts of a true story, and that Alexander Selkirk was the model for his Crusoe. Now an ingenious writer in "Blackwood's Magazine" proposed to show us that there is no good reason to suppose that Daniel Defoe ever heard of Alexander Selkirk. This is distressing to all lovers of tradition. Let us examine the facts. Alexander Selkirk served as sailing-master in the ship which Captain Stradling commanded on Dampier's private expedition to the South Seas. In 1704 the ship put in at Juan Fernandez, and Selkirk, who had quarrelled with his captain, was asked to be left on the island. He afterwards remained, but the captain would not take him on board again. Selkirk, it is hardly too much, might have been a child. When a Spanish ship came to the island he was fired at and ill, but recovered. That was the only

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While Hongkong has been quietly celebrating Empire Day, there have been picturesque doings in London.

**SOLEMN CEREMONY.**

(Reuter's Service.)

London, May 24.

The Empire thanksgiving service at the Wembley Stadium this afternoon was a solemn and impressive ceremony in spite of the chilly and showery weather. Eighty thousand people were present.

The King, in field marshal's uniform, was accompanied by the Queen, Prince Henry, the Duke and Duchess of York, Princess



His Majesty in Field Marshal's Uniform.

Mary and Viscount Lascelles, the Duke of Connaught, and Prince and Princess Arthur of Connaught, Lord Cave (Lord Chancellor), Mr. J. M. S. Amery (Secretary for Colonies), Mr. W. W. Bridgeman (First Lord of the Admiralty) and Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister (President of the Board of Trade).

A massed choir of 3,000 voices and the massed bands of the guards, marine and air force supplied the music.

A procession headed by the mounted band of the Household Cavalry preceded the State trumpeters who were followed by mounted police, the Legion of Frontiersmen, the Earl of Meath, Beefeaters and blinded ex-Servicemen. An ecclesiastical procession followed.

**AERIAL DASH TO NORTH POLE.**



Los Angeles, May 24.

Mr. Haakon Hammer, who was associated with Captain Amundsen's previous flights and led the Amundsen relief expedition in 1923, has telegraphed to the Navy Department in Washington asking for co-operation and the services of an expert Arctic flier if necessary to assist the explorer.—Reuter's American Service. (Our picture shows Capt. Amundsen pointing out the route of his serial dash to the North Pole which began on Friday night.)

**REIGN OF TERROR.**

**ABDEL KRM'S HEAVY HAND.**

**TRIBES UNEASY.**

**LOSSES COOL THEIR ARDOUR.**

(Reuter's Service.)

**PARIS, May 24.**

A message from Rabat states that the Riffs are continuing their concentrations, but their ardour is diminished owing to the losses they have sustained.

Abdel Krim has introduced a reign of terror among the tribes showing slackness, but the submission of the Ait-Zan tribe has deeply impressed the rebels.

A French column, after relieving Upper Wergha posts, hotly engaged a force of 5,000 Riffs whom it drove off in spite of counter attacks. The enemy's losses were heavy.

M. Malvy has returned to Paris from Spain. He refused to discuss Moroccan affairs and Franco-Spanish relations. He declared he was reserving his impressions for M. Painlevé, the Premier.

**OFFICIALS LACONIC.**

LATER.

A communiqué issued after the meeting between M. Malvy and M. Painlevé ironically says: "M. Malvy has formed important friendly relations with Spain and brings back very interesting information regarding Franco-Spanish relations which is being considered by the Cabinet on May 26."

**EARLIER CABLES.**

PARIS, May 23.

The newspapers continue preoccupied with the position in Morocco. Le Matin's Madrid correspondent says that the Malvy mission has resulted in an agreement, not providing for Franco-Spanish military collaboration, but authorising France to pursue the rebels into the Spanish zone.

Le Journal says that a close Franco-Spanish blockade by land and sea alone will bring the Riffs to their senses.

On the other hand, Ouvrier Homme Libre hopes that there will be no such collaboration, and opines that France is strong enough to act alone. Telegrams from Rabat state that new enemy movements Northwards are reported.

**SCVIE. WAII.**

**FOREIGN POWERS COOLNESS.**

(Reuter's Service.)

**MOSCOW, May 24.**

The "Izvestia" states that several powers in normal relations with Russia recently refused visas to representatives of Soviet economic organisations, thus injuring the development of economic intercourse.

Many responsible representatives of Soviet firms had been obliged to cease work and leave England owing to the refusal to prolong their visas.

France and Sweden were apparently adopting the same policy.

**BELGIAN POLITICS.**

**POSSIBLE DEADLOCK SOLUTION.**

(Reuter's Service.)

**BRUSSELS, May 24.**

The National Council of the Liberal Party, after a lengthy discussion passed a resolution admitting the possibility of settling the political crisis by the forming of an emergency temporary extra-parliamentary Cabinet which the Party should judge by its composition and programme.

Penang, May 23.—Dr Pinedo has arrived.—Reuter.

Moscow, May 24.—Rosta News Agency states that with the view to studying the problem of air communication between Russia and the Far East, a squadron of six aeroplanes, of which three have been constructed in Soviet workshops, leaves on a flight to Peking via Mongolia and the Gobi desert, on June 10.—Reuter.

Quimper, May 24.—Two life-boats, which went to the assistance of two small vessels in a violent storm, were smashed by great waves, overturned and wrecked. Several of the crew, roped to the boats, were sucked down and drowned. The remainder were dashed against the rocks and perished. Only one escaped. Maintaining the two vessels founded. Two women, who had been adrift, were recovered.

**ANOTHER DISASTER.**

**JAPANESE EARTHQUAKE HAVOC.**

**TOWNS ABLAZE.**

**Severity Equals Great Shock of Two Years Ago.**

In many places as severe as the great shock of 1923, another terrible earthquake has occurred in Japan.

**PANIC OF POPULACE.**

(Reuter's Service.)

Osaka, May 23.

A heavy earthquake was felt at 11.10, lasting three minutes. People were terrified for a while. Such a big quake had not been experienced in Osaka for a decade.

A severe shock was also felt at Kobe, but Tokyo and Yokohama were not affected.

Latest reports show that the earthquake seriously affected an

area of the town was set afire, followed by a great stampede. The whole town is ablaze, and it is feared there are hundreds of casualties.

**Relief Being Sent.**

The destroyer Enoki has been ordered to proceed to the coast with supplies; the Sagami likewise. The amount of insurance is not large; it is estimated at about one million Yen. The insurance companies here are not likely to pay even a penny.

The extent of the damage done



A scene in Tokyo after the 1923 disaster.

area confined to the province of Tajima, on the coast of the Japan Sea. It is reported that two hundred houses collapsed in the town of Toyooka, where fire broke out in many places. Severe damage is reported from other towns in the same province.

Little is known as regards casualties from the earthquake, but it is believed they are comparatively few, because the province of Tajima and neighbourhood is not thickly populated. There are no crowded cities.

The District is mountainous and the industry of importance is sericulture, where the finest silk is produced.

Seismological observations indicate that the earthquake was caused by landslide.

Recorded at Bendani.

Faenza, May 23.

The seismological instruments at Bendani recorded during last night a violent shock lasting two



Havoc of the 1923 earthquake.

duced. Damage to reeler is unknown.

**Famous Hot Spring Devastated.**

Railways, telephones and telegraphs are all interrupted between Osaka and the earthquake area. It is most difficult to obtain a comprehensive story, but scrappy news reaching here from railway stations and post offices show that the railways, tunnels, tracks and stations have been seriously damaged. In many places the severity appears equal to that of the great earthquake of September, 1923, especially around the town of Toyooka, with a population of ten thousand, where the railway station half collapsed and the post office was set on fire. The town appears to be in flames, also Kinoshiki, the famous alkaline hot spring, which is reported to be totally devastated. Seismological observations tend to show that the cause of the earthquake was a landslide. Relief is being rushed from Osaka and other towns.

Town and Village on Fire.

Osaka, May 24.—An aeroplane, with reporters and photographers, just returned here, confirms that the disaster was similar in intensity to that of September, 1923, only on a smaller scale. The town of Toyooka, seen from above, was a mass of flames and one or two other smaller towns and villages were also observed to be afire.

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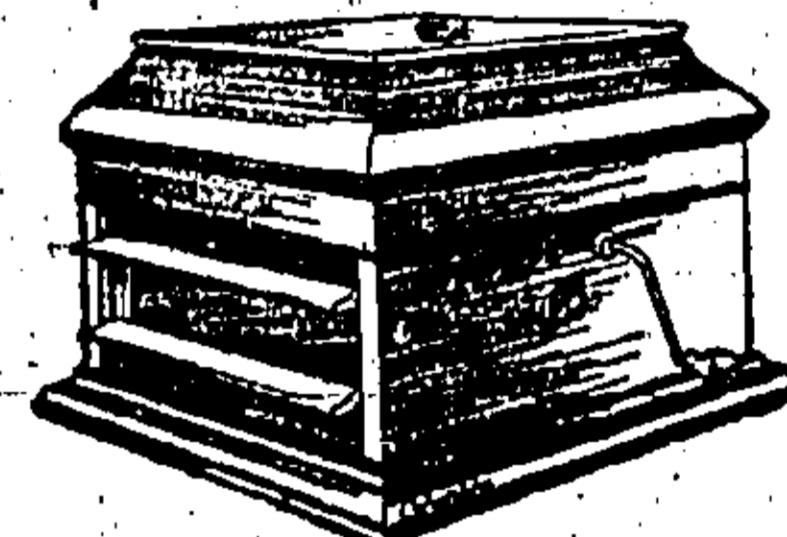
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## LOCAL SPORT.

## INTERPORT CRICKET.

HONGKONG'S SECOND VICTORY.

INNINGS BY STEWART.

As cabled by Reuter, the Hongkong cricketers who won the interport at Shanghai, subsequently beat a team captained by Mr. G. M. Billings, President of the Shanghai C.C., by 7 runs.

In the match Hongkong did not call upon E. B. Reed, Captain R. F. Walker and Captain R. H. P. West, calling upon H. E. Hollands and Captain C. D. Armstrong, the "spare" men and Captain C. J. F. Bensley, the Gunner adjutant who went up to umpire. E. F. Stewart skippered 115 not out.

Scores—

HONGKONG.			
H. E. Hollands, c Peck, b Billings	20		
Capt. C. D. Armstrong, b Murphy	41		
H. N. Balhatchet, b Billings	0		
Capt. E. W. Morris, c Brady, b Baring	15		
Capt. C. J. F. Bensley, c Brady, b Billings	7		
A. W. Ramsay, c Tait, b Billings	2		
E. F. Stewart (not out)	115		
Rev. E. K. Quick, c Lanning, b Baring	16		
A. J. Stripp, c Baker, b Billings	46		
Lt.-Com. G. E. L. Hargreaves, A. C. I. Bowker, did not bat, Extras	11		
Total (for 8 wkt.)	273		
BOWLING ANALYSIS.			
O. M. R. W.			
G. M. Billings, 26.3 2 104			
H. C. B. Peck, 10 0 51			
H. Baring, 11 20 52			
W. G. R. Murphy, 5 0 24			
F. L. Wainwright, 3 0 18			
H. N. Balhatchet, 3 0 14			
W. H. Taft, 0 0 0			
A. E. Lanning, c Stripp, b Bowker	79		
J. M. Pearson, c Stewart, b Hargreaves	19		
F. L. Wainwright, c Balhatchet, b Bowker	30		
G. A. Dunkley, st. Stripp, b Quick	67		
H. W. Brady, c Ramsay, b Quick	16		
H. Baring, c Ramsay, b Bowker	0		
A. E. Baker, b Quick	14		
W. H. Tait, b Bowker	8		
G. M. Billings, not out	1		
H. C. B. Peck, c Bowker, b Balhatchet	2		
W. G. R. Murphy, run out	1		
Extras	22		
Total	266		
BOWLING ANALYSIS.			
O. M. R. W.			
G. E. L. Hargreaves, 9 2 43			
H. N. Balhatchet, 13.1 1 53			
Rev. E. K. Quick, 12 0 62			
A. C. I. Bowker 16 1 58			
H. E. Hollands, 3 0 17			
E. F. Stewart, 3 0 11			
As the result of the interport cricket match Hongkong is congratulated by the "North China Daily News" on "a splendid and memorable victory." Details of the closing scenes, with some comments on the match as a whole are reproduced from our contemporary of last Wednesday's date:			

When stumps were drawn on Monday evening the interport cricket match was in a critical condition. Shanghai wanted 17 runs for a win, and had only one wicket to fall, and accordingly there was tense excitement at 11.30 yesterday (Tuesday) when the struggle was resumed.

H. Rogerson defended the south wicket against the bowling of Bowker, and was partnered by T. W. R. Wilson. He started scoring a single, and then Bowker got Wilson somewhere between the chest and pit of his stomach, and for quite a few minutes play was at a standstill until the latter recovered. Then Wilson scored and the total crept slowly upward through further singles.

Reed came on to bowl at the pavilion end, and the field was closed in to allow of no chances being taken. Wilson hit a single, and then Rogerson raised applause by getting a couple—a lucky one off a mis-hit ball.

The batsmen had scored nine between them when Bowker came on again at the south end. Wilson swiped at the first ball he received, it went sky high, and the bowler running out caught it. So Hongkong won by seven runs, and Bowker was chaired by his fellow players as the team left the field.

Some stray comments—

The glorious uncertainty of cricket has seldom better been exemplified in the Far East than in the Interport match between Hongkong which was concluded yesterday (Tuesday) morning and

which resulted in Hongkong gaining a noteworthy victory. Hongkong, in their first venture, underwent a partial collapse in the early stages; it seemed that the whole side would be dismissed for a total quite unworthy of Interport cricket; and then Ramsay and Bowker, in turn, went resolutely for the bowling and by their joint efforts were largely instrumental in bringing the aggregate of the innings to a respectable size. The supporters of Shanghai seemed to think that in facing a first innings total of 145 the local players would not have too difficult a task, despite the knowledge that in the Hongkong side were at least three first-class bowlers. However, as the early batsmen of Hongkong had failed, so also did those of Shanghai, and but for a foundation of 32 laid by "H.B.O.", a useful 21 by Burn, and a wonderful 62 not out by Shanghai's most popular cricketer, Dr. W. E. O'Hara, the local response must have been ignominiously small. We feel we are saying no more than the truth in stating that, bearing in mind the poor start that had been made, Shanghai's first innings rejoinder of 167 was both surprising and pleasing.

"Nothing Easy."

With a harder and faster wicket on Monday, every one expected Hongkong to make amends for the paucity of their first innings result by piling up a fairly big score; but again the opening batsmen failed more or less, and four good wickets were down for less than 60 runs. Again did two, and two only, of their players make most of the runs—Morris and Hargreaves, but even with these two making 81 between them the whole side was almost scuttled out for 127. This left Shanghai needing only 196 to win. The general opinion (the quality of the Hongkong bowling notwithstanding) was "Easy," and so it seemed; but later reflection gives one to the conclusion that nothing is easy where Messrs. Bowker, Reid & Co. are concerned.

The five players who are considered to be our best bats managed to get 43 between them; Dr. O'Hara was sent back without scoring—in itself a grievous disappointment—and but for that evergreen veteran H. W. Allison, with one of the younger generation of players in Rogerson, the ignominy aforementioned would have been ours. Eight wickets were down for 89, and then that incomparable passive obstructionist Barnes, whose association with O'Hara in the first innings will be remembered for years, went in to repeat his tactics; but it was not to him and he was dismissed for a blob. Seventeen runs needed to win, and with only the fall of the wicket of Rogerson or of T. W. R. Wilson needed to bring about defeat!

Exciting Finish.

That was the situation on Monday night when stumps were drawn, and it was a situation as interesting and exciting as could possibly be imagined.

On Tuesday morning came the grand finale, and it did not take long. Rogerson was fairly certain to keep his end up, and on the ability of the mercurial Wilson to do likewise there was some uncertainty. Rogerson proceeded to garner singles as he had been expected to do, and to the surprise of many, Wilson commenced to do likewise. Then came that fast ball from Bowker which caught Wilson in the pit of the stomach (we are not absolutely certain of the anatomical significance of the term) which must have shaken him considerably, but still he played well and soundly. Then followed the mighty swipe which got a little too much under the ball (from the Shanghai viewpoint, of course) and "Torry's" day's cricketing was done, and done well. There was a slight whisper after the match that he should not have hit as he did. But why not? It might have gone for six—and then, the applause! Wilson, at bat, is a live, throbbing, palpitating and aggressive person to whom is completely foreign the calm, the stoicism, the stone-wallism and the imperturbability of a Barnes or the patience of a Divecha. Let him be given every credit for having done his best; he might have hit off the runs required in a single over—he has done it before; and that, on this occasion, he did not do so is as much a matter for congratulation to Hongkong as commiseration to Shanghai.

Fielding Superior.

It is difficult to find terms sufficiently appreciative of the general standard of fielding in the match, on both sides, for to do so would need a paragraph or superlatives. There were a few minor slips, of course, but on the whole the standard of fielding was equal to that in any Interport match for many years. And also with the bowling. The low scores, coupled

On returning from a holiday in London, a man was relating his experiences to his mate, and said: "I got my penny back on the weighing machine in London." The friend: "What, the once where you place a pointer to guess your correct weight?" The man: "Yes, but I had to have two read."

## FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

## FAVOURABLE BALANCE IN HAND.

With the curtain drawn down definitely on football for another season no time has been lost by the Hon. Secretary of the Hongkong Football League in compiling the annual report and balance sheet for presentation to the annual general meeting to be held in the board room of Messrs. Shewan, Tomes & Co., Ice House Street, on Thursday, May 28, at 5.30 p.m.

The business will comprise (1) minutes of general meeting held in 1924; (b) annual report and balance sheet; (c) election of officers for the ensuing year; (d) alteration to rules; and (e) other business.

The report states:—

"As far as the accounts are concerned they show very little difference to last season, but it must be remembered that fewer teams entered, the non-entry of the Navy being under the new ruling. This season also the League only had one gate allotted to them, as against three arranged last season."

"The teams on the whole fulfilled their fixtures well, and the season closed up to date."

"There was again a shortage of referees, and the thanks of the League are due to those gentlemen who so willingly undertook charge of the games, on many occasions officiating in two games on one afternoon."

The foregoing may at first sight seem a colourless report to those who have worked behind the scenes in Leagues elsewhere. Yet, there is a wealth of information in it. It is a masterpiece in a way, on which Mr. Hollands and his colleagues on the Committee of the League are to be heartily congratulated. It has been a season of complete success from the viewpoint of the interests of the game, and that is indeed something to be grateful for in these days of keen competition.

We have been associated actively with Leagues in which the season was one long succession of disputes either over the rules or over the referees. Only recently an upset was caused in one of the Indian Leagues which resulted in all the European teams withdrawing. The Hongkong League has escaped all these trials and tribulations during the season just ended, which is ample testimony that the conduct of the game is vested in the right hands.

From the statement of accounts

it will be seen that the finances

have practically balanced in spite

of only one gate being allotted

to the League against the three previous seasons.

As a result of careful

finance there is a cash balance of

over \$40, which brings the

balance in bank on April 30 to

\$1,321.03—an excellent showing,

on which those responsible

deserve the thanks of the whole

of the Clubs forming the League.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT.

Cr.	Dr.
Bank Interest	\$ 14.81
Balance in Hand May 1, 1924	1,218.09
League entrance fees	400.00
Fines	15.00
Gate Receipts	245.80
Dinner Receipts	9.45
Sale of Stationery	2.80
Interport Account	140.00
Football Association Account	330.63
Excess	5.55
Total	\$2,376.58

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

## LOCAL PIRATE MENACE—A SEAFARER'S TRENCHANT VIEWS.

(To the Editor of the China Mail).

Sir.—Since my return to port I have been shown your issues of the 14th and 16th of the current month wherein you give the text of the Home Government's "Inter-Departmental Report" on our ever-present Piracy Menace and an article entitled "That Piracy Report."

I may at once remark that the former would, I am sure, tickle a tape-worm sufficiently to make it laugh. Further, I notice it—the report, not the worm—is signed by the Colony's own extra-special representative, along with a Captain and a Commander, R.N., neither of whom, so far as my memory serves me, were ever with H.M.'s Fleet out this way—at any rate since piracy became the pastime of many of the Canton Delta's unwilling-to-work population. Not having a "Who's Who" handy, I cannot know who the others are, but it is sufficient to say there was not a Joynson-Hicks amongst the whole bunch.

To begin at the end—of this momentous report—which treats on "insurance"—let us take Paragraph 31 where we find:—

"In the first instance, therefore, we consider that the Guilds should make every endeavour to induce the Companies to institute a system of insurance voluntarily."

A nice easy way for a Select Committee to get out of a bother-some situation—in fact, such seems to be their one idea throughout the whole of their deliberations. To me it appears as a veiled insinuation to the extremists—if not the whole body—the Guilds to go on strike so as to force the owners to acquiesce with them—the S.C.

Going further back one comes to "wireless," starting at para. 23 and following, where we find the S.C. sympathetic—very indeed—because they are 12,000 miles by water from the "Danger Zone" having no watch to keep with the encumbrance of a big shooter with 25 rounds of ammunition, but after their brain-racking deliberations, bed, or a night club. The remaining paragraphs are a dissertation on the different types of wireless machines for the supposed benefit of the whole Mercantile Marine, while the last (23) gives owners and employees a gentle reminder to shelve the distasteful subject.

Further back again "comes Discipline" beginning with para. 19, while the end of para. 20 gives two quotations from the statement of the Naval Intelligence Affair at the Court of Inquiry on the "Tailee" piracy, the first of which says:—

"Unless pay conditions and compensation are made attractive, good officers cannot be expected to stay in River steamers."

Then in para. 21 comes a quotation from a letter from the Governor wherein he goes on to say, after commenting on the "liner" companies—"but to Chinese-owned vessels—which carry British officers merely in order to comply with conditions requisite to obtain registration in Hongkong":—a sad confession indeed. Para. 22, a sort of summing up of the above: our S.C. "considers" and gets out of the dilemma, after furious thought—simply another or rather the first hint to the Guilds to go on strike.

No recommendation whatever from them to Hongkong's Government, such has to fall in line with Singapore's Government which governs officers' wages, no recommendation to the powers that-be regarding officers' status, accommodation or, again, pay, to uphold, better or increase as the case may be, nor nothing but that gentle, gentle hint—to the Guilds.

Coming to "Indian Guards" at paras. 17 and 18 the less said about that head the better. I for one do not think a good Indian comes to the "Furthest East" looking for a job. Court cases in Shanghaï, here, and elsewhere shows that. On board ship, when there are no pirates to kill they "keep their hand in" by killing one another. Some, on the other hand, are big babies, continually complaining of one having been struck by another, yet taking them all-in-all they make not bad salt or other contraband smugglers; are not adverse to taking a bribe to let smuggled stuff pass while on watch at the gangway in port—that is, of course, if they are not asleep. I think the best guards are those in vessels under the Portuguese flag—ex-Portuguese soldiers or Russians (now Bolsheviks). The pay of guards is poor as what sort of man can be expected for it?

From para. 4 to 17 I consider nothing but piffle—we have heard and read of it again and again one way or another.

Talking about co-operating with local Chinese authorities is sheer nonsense. Take a General

signal had been received a few minutes previously. To explain to them the correct way to pass on the signal the instant of its reception only made them grin, they thinking, no doubt, that navigators—unlike themselves—were a pack of arrant fools.

Outside of discipline what sort of "obligation" could they be made to take as regards secrecy? Secrecy is impossible to a Chinese employee, his forte being eaves-dropping and spreading far and wide what he has heard or learned. Years ago when China's G.O.M., Li Hung-chang, concluded in Port Arthur a secret treaty with the Russians, the text of that "secret" was published in a Shanghai journal (foreign) within a week. One of the G.O.M.'s relatives for solatium had given the show away.

I have disengaged a little, so will return to my wireless.

Wireless messages sent out or received are supposed to be known to only the operator and Captain on board ship, and the latter can make them public if he thinks fit—except passengers' private correspondence, of course—not the operator. Well knowing the Chinese weakness for illicit trading and contraband-running our operator would be in his glory.

Commission for the private wires for the trading-croissants—all native crews are traders—merchant shippers' cargo, and trading secrets flashed to interested parties on commission and, lastly, for a great big cumshaw—perhaps to the pirates' lairs when they shall have got wireless installed.

This may come sooner than we expect. Disbanded or deserting soldiers are known to have taken machine guns—and larger—with them to pirates' lairs.

My reason for writing thusly is that I know not only the Chinese wireless operator on board ship but his "wire" confidante on shore. When in Chinese Government employment it was quite a common thing for me to be informed that a private wire was awaiting me at "home"—20 miles away. My informant, perhaps a worker or an office attendant, would tell me the contents of the message quite unconcernedly, as it were.

On asking how he knew he would say that Mr. So & So, the operator, had told him before he left my place. Needless to say I knew everybody else's business—secret or otherwise—through the same source.

So much for Insurance and Wireless and now comes the representative of the local Piracy Committee who avers that:—

"The report might have served as the basis of very fruitful discussion, if the representatives of the shipowners and officers had not withdrawn before opportunity was given to discuss the problem."

The "representative" is evidently one of the "official majority." How he can make out what he calls "the basis of very fruitful discussion" I fail to see for when the "non-official minority arrived at the conference-room they found—if, my memory serves me aright—that there was to be no discussion at all, but simply that the Piracy Regulations were to be read out to them, after which they could give their assent or get out.

They got out and later formulated what is now known to all those interested in the Piracy problem as the "Minority Report." A very sensible report it is, devoid of any semblance of "red tape" and strictly business-like.

Further on the "representative" talks of the 24 hour clause in the "Articles," saying that it also "could have been discussed." So far as I know, no discussion was had on this point. The Committee authorised their representative to again meet Mr. Churchill.

A meeting of the Federation of Master Cotton Spinners' General Committee unanimously passed a resolution that the Federation should immediately cable the Secretary of Agriculture at Washington cancelling the notice given to withdraw from the original cotton standards agreement and authorising the signing of an amended supplemental agreement for the cotton trade. The Provisional Emergency Committee discussed the adverse conditions affecting trade, and urged stronger measures should be adopted, including the formulation of a scheme of control. It was recommended that compulsory powers should be sought for the collection of statistics of production, consumption, and also stocks in view of regulating production according to the demand.

The silk section of the London Chamber of Commerce denies that it concurred in the decisions of the recent conferences of silk interests with Mr. Churchill.

Washington, May 23.—In addition to steps to collect war debts from European countries the Government is paying attention to the following schemes: principal and interest on reconstruction loans made after the Armistice. The Government has notified that there will be no discrimination in the discharge of debts of this character.

Now, I think, the time has come

## NASTY SMASH.

## MOTOR CYCLISTS IN HOSPITAL.

## MAKING GOOD PROGRESS.

"Very comfortable" was the medical report on the condition of Mr. M. F. Key, Secretary of the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce, and Mr. P. Brown of Messrs. Loxley and Co., who are in hospital as a result of a motor cycle collision on Saturday. Mr. Key, however, is not quite strong enough yet to receive visitors.

The scene of the collision was the awkward turn at Chin Wan, Castle Peak Road. Mr. Key, approaching it from Kowloon side and Mr. Brown from the opposite direction. The two machines struck each other, not quite head on, but so sharply in a glancing manner as to throw both riders from their seats.

Mr. Key was flung violently to the road, and found himself hanging half over the precipice at the side. Luckily he was able to grasp the white railing with one hand and so prevent himself slipping headlong down the bank.

From this perilous position Mr. Key was rescued by some passing motorists, who fortunately arrived shortly after the accident and did their utmost to ease the agony he was suffering from his extremely severe injuries.

Mr. Brown, who had also been very badly hurt, was lifted into the car along with Mr. Key, and both gentlemen were taken with all care and speed to the Kwong Wah Hospital in Kowloon, where their injuries were dressed.

From the Kwong Wah Hospital they were taken across the harbour to the Government Civil Hospital. Here it was found that Mr. Key, among other injuries, was suffering from a broken ankle, broken wrist and a badly crushed knee. He was also very weak from the loss of blood.

Mr. Brown, whose injuries were also very severe, was found to be suffering from almost identical injuries, except in degree. His broken ankle and wounded knee were not considered to be so bad as Mr. Key's. Mr. Brown's broken wrist, however, was the more serious of the two.

What makes the accident more distressing is that both gentlemen have received their injuries to the right wrist, and it is of course still too soon to say whether there will be any permanent effects, though Mr. Key is not thought to be in any serious danger in this respect.

Mr. Key, who was the weaker of the two, having lost more blood, went under an operation, and stood it very well. The doctors expected him to make a good recovery.

Mr. Brown went also under an operation and he, too, is making good progress with every prospect of soon regaining his strength. Neither gentleman is in any danger.

## FRENCH FINANCES.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, May 22.

As regards M. Caillaux's new financial schemes, the newspapers state that the further revenues required will be obtained by an increase of postal and telegraphic charges on increase of tobacco revenue, the establishment of an apprenticeship tax, and an increase of all schedule taxes on a unified system of game permits and an increase in their cost, which will replace the sugar tax. It is estimated that these will produce in 1926 the four thousand million francs required to balance the Budget. Supplementary measures include stricter supervision of income tax.

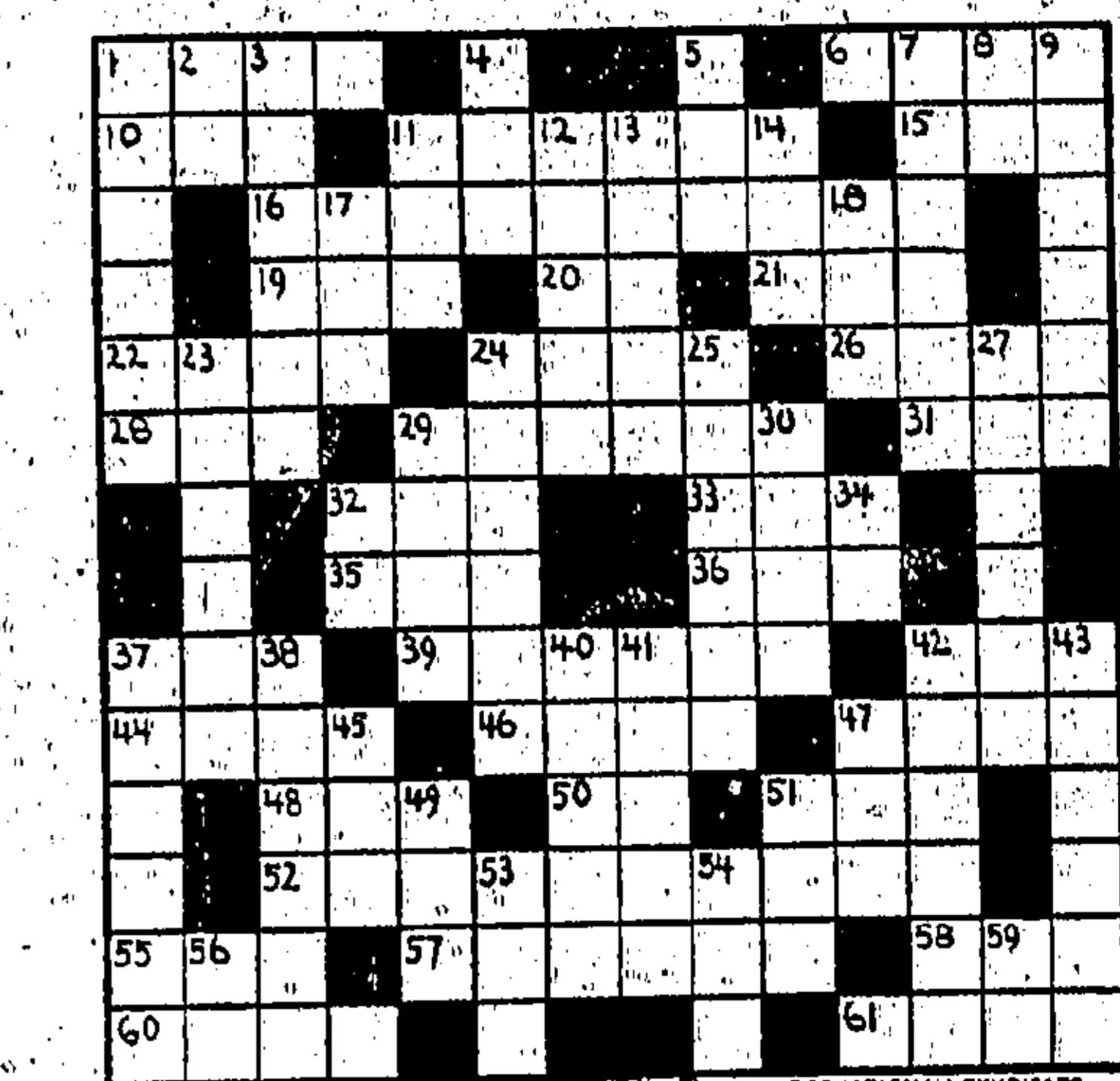
The newspapers say that the inland letter rate may be increased to forty centimes from June 1. An increase of the telegraphic rate is described as under consideration. Apparently there is no question of increasing the postal and telegraphic charges for abroad.

Bombay, May 23.—Shaf Ahmed, of the Indore Mounted Police and Sham Rao Digne, an officer in the Maharajah of Indore's household, were sentenced to death in connection with the murder of the merchant Bawla. Anan-Droo Phanse and three others were sentenced to transportation for life, and Syed Mohamed, sub-inspector of the Indore police, and Karamat Khan were acquitted. Reuter.

The trial took place in March in the court of the Chief Magistrate of Bombay Presidency. Nine men were accused of conspiring to kidnap Mumtaz Begum, attempting to kidnap her on January 12, murdering the merchant Bawla during the earthquake period. A similar attempt was made last September, and the assailant on that occasion is now under trial.

## CHINA MAIL'S CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(These cross-word puzzles have been made by experts but our readers are warned to watch out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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## SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES

Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn to still others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting at the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

## HORIZONTAL

- 1—Convulsed breath
- 2—Part of verb "to be"
- 3—Flavored
- 4—X tree
- 5—Individual
- 6—Afraid
- 7—African animal (pl.)
- 8—That is (abbr.)
- 9—More obscure
- 11—Likely
- 12—Swellings
- 13—Perfect
- 14—Wild animal
- 17—Deface
- 18—To call out
- 23—Excusable
- 24—One who utters melodious sounds
- 25—Placed for future consideration
- 27—Servant
- 29—Market
- 30—Period of time
- 32—To exist
- 34—Latin phrase meaning "for example" (abbr.)
- 37—To roll in mire
- 38—Excessive strain
- 40—Parasitic Insect
- 41—Slight faint
- 42—Married woman
- 43—A color
- 45—Total
- 47—Likelies
- 49—Decline
- 51—College degree (abbr.)
- 53—Part of circle
- 54—Edged tool
- 55—Barium (chem. sym.)
- 56—Once more

## 61—

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's "China Mail" along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

## PRINCE OF WALES.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, May 24.

Reuter's correspondent with the Prince of Wales at Burgersdorp says the happiest proofs of the effect of the Prince of Wales' visit on British and Dutch relations was provided by a crowd of sixty thousand, mostly the staunchest Nationalists, cheering the Prince to the echo on arrival here, the last place in Cape Province to be visited. Local clergyman invoked the Divine blessing on Anglo-Dutch unity.

The Prince, in a speech, seized the occasion to return thanks for the cordial welcome to all parts of the province, even the way-side stations, where the train stopped for only one or two minutes.

## LLOYD'S NEW HOME.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, May 23.

H.M. the King, accompanied by the Queen and Prince Henry, drove in semi-State to the City and laid the foundation stone of Lloyd's new building, which will cover an acre of ground in Leadenhall Street.

The King, in a speech, dwelt on the romantic history of Lloyds and the traditional honour and integrity of the corporation, whose history was embodied in the highest qualities of British commerce. He recalled Lloyds inestimable services in wartime and hoped for still greater things from the expansion and development being inaugurated to-day.

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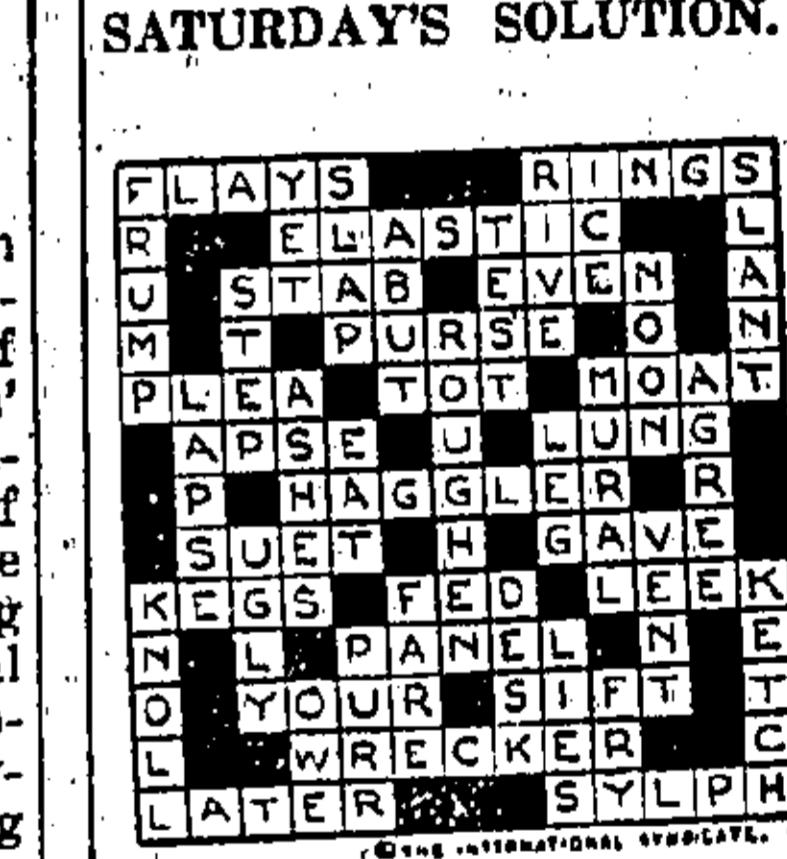
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## SATURDAY'S SOLUTION.



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## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

There were no returns of notifiable diseases for the 24 hours ended Friday.

"Bell Boy No. 19" is the title of the excellent picture now showing at the Queen's Theatre.

International Magne Charta Day Association will hold their annual celebration on Rummynore Field on June 15.

Human bones found on an allotment at Chiswick are said to be centuries old, and are to be destroyed by the coroner's orders.

The annual general meeting of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals will be held on Wednesday next in the Chamber of Commerce Board Room at 4 p.m.

During the month of January 233 free grant homesteads were taken up in Western Canada, an increase of 18 over the same month last year. During the same month 47 soldier grant entries were filed. Of the homesteads, 38 were taken up in Manitoba, 107 in Saskatchewan, 73 in Alberta and 5 in British Columbia. The homestead grants combined represent approximately 44,800 acres.

Practically all of the exhibiting space in the Second Radio World's Fair to be in New York in the 25th Field Artillery Armory, September 14 to 19, is now under reservation and even at this early date the success of the gigantic enterprise is assured. All signs indicate that it will be the greatest trade show of any sort ever held in America. Not only will there be an overflow of exhibits by the leading manufacturers of all countries but, strange to say, a record breaking attendance is already a certainty in spite of the fact that the opening date is still five months away. Tremendous interest is being manifested by radio manufacturers, dealers, inventors, and enthusiasts both here and abroad and the patronage is sure to exceed that of the First Radio World's Fair of last September in Madison Square Garden and the 39th Regiment Armory.

Two broadcasting towers are now under construction in Germany that will exceed in height all others in the country. Both will be provided with elevators, and will be used as observatories as well. One, to be located in a suburb of Berlin, will be 1,049 feet high, topping the Eiffel tower at Paris.

On 13, 1924 London vehicle drivers, most of them chauffeurs, who entered a "safety first" competition instituted by the London City Council, 8,300 went through last year without an accident and have been awarded special mention and badges. All the drivers thus recognized, and especially the taxi-cab drivers, count it a distinction to wear the council badges.

Architects and artists are invited to enter the competition for the design of the tomb of Dr. Sun Yat-sen's remains at Nanking and also memorial hall. The design of the latter should preferably be in classical Chinese style with distinctive and monumental features, with a mausoleum for the sarcophagus. Intending competitors should write to the China International Corporation, P.O. Box 1449, Shanghai.

It has been observed that cats are the favourite pets in Moscow, while dogs are preferred in Leningrad. There is a convincing economic explanation for this divergence of tastes. Moscow is so overcrowded that housing space is very meagrely rationed; and it is a large or fortunate family that can enjoy more than one room. Leningrad, on the other hand, has lost the hordes of public officials, who moved to Moscow with the transference of the capital. The result is that many apartments in Leningrad are vacant and there is no pressure on the existing housing accommodations. Dogs require more space and freedom of movement than cats, so it is easy to understand why they find more scope in Leningrad than in Moscow. With a view to relieving to some degree the congestion of Moscow, it has been proposed to transfer some of the nonpolitical communists to Leningrad, but this change has not gone into effect.

Given the choice of seeing the boat-race or hearing a concert in Central Hall, Westminster, boys of a London school voted almost unanimously for the concert.

The words "Safety Last" were painted on the side-car of a motorcycle ridden by Alfred Evans, of Kingwood-road, Beckenham. Evans was fined £3 at Croydon for driving a motor-cycle at a dangerous speed in the ten-mile control at London-road, Mitcham. Police-Constable Alford said Evans' speed was 28 miles an hour, and he passed several vehicles on the off side. When stopped he said, "I know the trap, but I did not see the plain clothes man, and that is not sporty. Safety last is my motto."

Sweden's population as shown by a report of the royal bureau of statistics is slightly more than 6,000,000, and the entire Swedish nationality, wherever domiciled, is estimated at close to 9,000,000. It is shown that 780,000 native born Swedes live outside the country of which 625,000 are in the United States; 30,000 in Canada; 50,000 in Norway and 35,000 in Denmark. The foreign born inhabitants of Sweden number 57,832, or less than 1 per cent. of the total population.

"It was important to realise that during the past few years accidents by factory machinery only accounted for one in three of the fatal accidents," said Sir W. Joynson-Hicks, the Home Secretary, in a recent speech. "Last year there were 315 fatal accidents owing to machinery and 637 from other causes. In non-fatal accidents the discrepancy was still greater; there were 37,000 non-fatal accidents in connection with machinery, and nearly 132,000 not connected with machinery. That was a very remarkable fact. Out of every 100 accidents that took place in the factories and workshops of the country only thirty-two were in connection with machinery. No fewer than 133 per cent. were due to people falling from hoists, lifts, cellar-flaps, etc. The majority of those falls were due to carelessness."

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. W. G. Williams (Messrs. Thos. Cook & Son) and Mr. J. J. Martin (Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews) and Mrs. Martin, are passengers on the outgoing Fushimi Maru.

Reuter reports that Mrs. Leonard Wood, wife of Governor-General Wood, is seriously ill with fever and her trip from Manila to Shanghai with her daughter has been postponed.

It is stated in a London paper that the late Mr. H. A. Cartwright, editor and manager of the "Hongkong Daily Press," left estate valued at £2,919 in Great Britain (net personality £2,819).

In an era of strange pets Miss Teddie Gerrard has shown her originality by bringing back to England with her a pair of baby alligators. This is going one better than Sarah Bernhardt, who used to travel about with a honest rumour has it that a railway official, entering Miss Gerrard's compartment and seeing her travelling companions sporting themselves on the seat, gazed unbelievably at them for several seconds and then rushed down the platform screaming for a doctor!

Bethnal Green Costermongers' Union is taking 1,000 children to the cinema to celebrate its 21st birthday.

Mrs. A. M. James (Megan Glantaw) has been appointed official harpist to Swansea National Eisteddfod, 1926.

An "equality" wedding at Mansfield. Notis, in which the bride's "obey" was omitted and she was not given away, attracted much interest. The couple were Mr. Sidney Barrett and Miss Eunice Emily Beardall, and they promised each other mutual service.

Dr. Thomas B. Dunn of Shanghai recently gave an address on health to local residents. He laid down some interesting rules, one of which was that "the man who is upset by worry, fear or anger is much more likely to be attacked by disease." The Chinese hold that these mental disturbances are themselves diseases. Another rule was "Hold down the amount you eat."

The Queen is the only member of the Royal Family who speaks Italian fluently, an accomplishment she owes to her residence in Florence with her parents, when she was a girl. At Naples she delighted the officials prompted to show the Royal party "the sights" by talking to them in their own language. Cardinal Balf, who acted as cicerone at Pisa, complimented the Queen on her accent.

One of the recent personal successes in Parliament was the speech of Capt. Ian Frazen, the blind M.P. for St. Pancras, on the question of ex-Service Civil Servants. It was in its way a tour de force. Being, of course, unable to have the aid of notes, he has necessarily to prepare a speech very carefully, yet on the occasion in question he spoke practically extempore, answering arguments of previous speakers in detail and with effect.

Reuter cables the death of Sir Edward Hulton. Sir Edward, who was the first baronet, created in 1921, was born in 1859, being only 65 years of age. At one time he was one of the biggest newspaper proprietors in England, having extensive interests in both the daily and weekly press. A little more than a year ago he disposed of a vauch of his property which included the "Daily Sketch" and the "Evening Standard." He was a keen race horse owner.

Of a certain book much in the public mind recently, a Home writer says:—Great excitement in the house of Maugham! I refer to Somerset of that ilk. The sudden withdrawal of his latest novel was too much for me, and I bore down upon him with a catalogue of questions. It appears that a thousand and one letters have reached.

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It is a very rare thing for the members of the Press Gallery of the House of Commons to find themselves in difficulties because of an M.P.'s rapidity of utterance. Yet this happened the other day during the maiden speech of Col. the Hon. Angus McDonnell. Some of the cherubs who sit up aloft, frankly abandoned the task as hopeless, and the official shorthand writers had a gruelling time. They estimated the speaker's rate as in the neighbourhood of 300 words a minute. Col. McDonnell is the second son of the Earl of Antrim. He is a popular Member, and has knocked about the world accumulating valuable experience. He gained Durford for the Unionists at the last election by defeating Jack Mills, one of the best known Socialists.

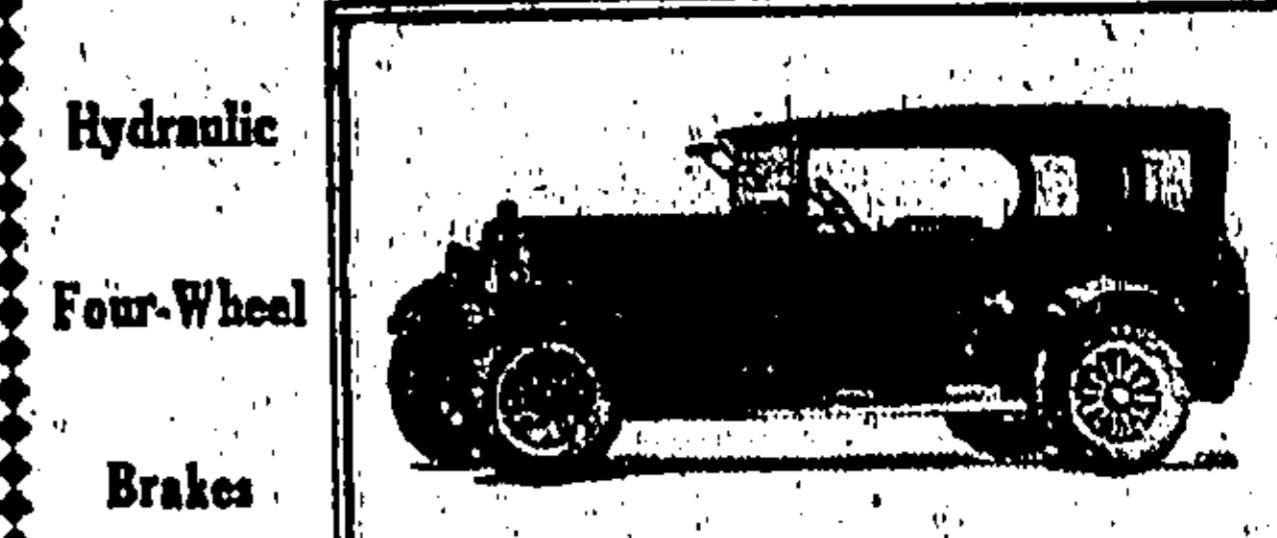
The Manila Hotel has been entertaining distinguished visitors. Probably the most world-wide known name on the register was that of Mr. T. Mitsui, partner in Mitsui Busan Keisha, and director of their mining interests in Tokyo, who, with Mrs. Mitsui, is starting on a world tour. With them are two secretaries, Mr. I. Sawada and Mr. G. Kowaki. Mr. and Mrs. J. Abe accompanied them from Hongkong, where Mr. Abe is manager for the Mitsui interests. The party arrived on the Empress of Canada and stopped at the Manila Hotel. The Mitsui have left for Singapore. Mr. T. Sato, Manila manager for Mitsui Busan Keisha, was to accompany them on this stage of their journey.

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## DASH FOR POLE.

### HAZARDS OF AMUNDSEN EXPEDITION.

Amundsen's dash for the Pole, which is to be attempted this spring, is likely to be a much more dangerous enterprise than is generally thought: The party of six are to fly from near Spitzbergen in two aeroplanes fitted with bows; they are also slides, with the idea that it gives a double opportunity of landing. There may be a level enough area of snow to land on; there may be a temporarily open lead. Either plane will carry six persons, so that if one breaks down the other can bring the whole party back in safety.

It is calculated that the whole trip after the plane starts may not take more than two to three days. The small company who will camp on the snow to see the start will expect the return of the birds to roost on the second day. The advanced guard is now approaching the diving board.

All this sounds a delightfully simple—a plain tale. And it would be, without one exception. The crucial danger is fog. Every sort of statistic of weather has been studied; but Arctic fog is outside the prognostic skill of any authority. It comes and goes rapidly, on slight provocation. It may be general, it may be local. The skilful use of the compass, in fact, compensates for invisibility; but fog over snow, as over water, deprives the airmen of any judgment of his distance from the ground. Safe landing is almost out of the question. The dash will be a gamble with the weather. If fog is avoided, the explorer has absolute confidence in the comparative ease as well as success of the trip.

Then there is marriage by agreement, which is oftentimes blessed by the priests. "This can only be described as legalised concubinage," said Mrs. Forbes. "The result is, the husband continues to beat his wife, and the wife continues to build up a small fortune."

A murderer has to be killed in a similar manner to that in which his victim met his doom, and the execution is carried out by the nearest relative of the victim.

One of the main objects of the trip was to procure films of the troglodyte city of Lalibela, where there are eleven wonderful churches hidden away underground. Mrs. Forbes visited each one with the exception of that dedicated to the Virgin Mary. "Nothing female is allowed to enter that church," said Mrs. Forbes. "I wonder," she added with a smile, "what would happen if a female sparrow built its nest there."

## THE RIGHT TREATMENT FOR RHEUMATISM.

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"I had severe pains in the muscles of my back and through my right hip," says Mrs. Thomas Dunn, of 44 Huntington Avenue, Worcester, U.S.A. "At times everyone in my body would ache and there were sharp shooting pains through my limbs. My physician said that I could hardly pull myself upstairs."

"I took treatment for rheumatism but nothing really helped me until I tried Dr. Williams' Pink Pill after reading in a paper of the good they had done in a case similar to mine. Then I noticed that I was getting rid of the pain gradually. So I began to take Dr. Williams' Pink Pill and I am now able to walk without any difficulty."

MONDAY, MAY 25, 1925.

## THE CHINA MAIL.

## GAY LOSSIE LOON.

MR. MACDONALD IN MERRY MOOD.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, M.P., was the gay "Lossie Loon" when he made sport among his brother and sister Scots in London. He was the guest of the London Scots Labour Club, and, responding to the toast of his health, proposed by the chairman, Mr. George Dallas, he said:

"There are many ups and downs of a queer kind in life. For instance, if you had been in Lossiemouth about fifty years ago and had asked what was the general opinion of a certain nickname with a black head—and very often not much else—you would have found that he was regarded as being destined to be hung. I am not at all sure but that something like that has happened, because there are certain experiences in life that are nearly of the same kind of trouble."

"The great characteristic of our countrymen is that they wander over the world's good and only secondarily for their own. It is true that wherever you go you will generally find a Scotsman at the head of affairs. I have found, however, that Lossie men are even better than—(laughter)—I see I don't require to complete my sentence. A Scotsman is 'gay gleg in the upak'. In this case I think the mathematical maxim that the greater includes the less is not true."

"Regarding Lossiemouth and Scotland, the less includes the greater. A friend of mine went to a big London store the other day, ordered some furniture, and gave as an address Lossiemouth, immediately proceeding to inform the man behind the counter that Lossiemouth was in Scotland. The man behind the counter pulled himself up in a very lordly and dignified way, and said: 'Madam, I beg of you, do not insult me by offering further explanations of that place! I believe there is considerable doubt in London as to where Edinburgh is. There is no doubt at all as to where Lossiemouth is.'

## WANDERER'S ADVENTURES.

"Wandering about on the face of the earth, I remember one day getting into a certain place in Australia way down at the mouth of the Brisbane River, where I was being met by a boat that was to take me to Brisbane itself. Getting aboard, I was received by a fine-looking, dignified, self-respecting man, dressed in blue, with brass buttons—one of the sort of gentlemen who would have put up the backs of the writers of the 'Daily Herald' (Laughter). I thought there was a kind of searching, specially friendly look in his eye, and as he kept looking at me in a brotherly kind of way I asked: 'Have I seen you before?' 'God, man! Seen me along Monny pipe! I have smoked for your granny.'

"Another fellow I met in the back-woods of Canada had been talking to me about an hour, and at the end it suddenly struck him he had forgotten to tell me something that was very essential. 'Mester MacDonald,' he said, 'I am awfully sorry, but I forgot to tell you I was a Scotsman.' In Jamaica the other day, when I met a lot of Scotsmen, as usual I found that nearly everybody on the island, provided he came from Africa originally, has now adopted a Scotch name. The clans are even better represented there than in London—Cameron by the tens of thousands, Grant by the tens of thousands, MacDonald a fair number, but all living godly, Scottish lives, following the very best and the very worst of our variegated traditions."

## SCOTTISH JOKES.

The Scotsman, Mr. Mac Donald, thought, was his own worst enemy. All the jokes at the expense of Scotsmen were invented by Scotsmen, and the peculiar thing was that no one understood them or saw the humour in them except the Scotsman. "I once employed a Parliamentary Secretary," he said "not for the purpose of giving me good advice in politics—but because I get enough of that and to spare without any appointments—but for the purpose of supplying me with two original jokes against Scotsmen every day of the week. He did it, and that is the reason why the Labour Government was so successful." (Laughter.)

"It has struck me that so long as Providence is looking after this country He selects Scotsmen as His agents. Those of you inclined to be pessimistic, fearing that the country will never recover again, have the best reason for believing that, because there are no Scotsmen in the present Government. It is the most ominous sign of the times. This country cannot be governed successfully unless there are Scotsmen in the Ministry. I am not sure, however, that Providence has given us up, because He has made the Prime Minister half a Scotsman, Mr. Baldwin, half a Baldwin and half a MacDonald. But I doubt whether half a Scotsman is good enough to maintain the great burdens of governing this country." (Laughter.)

## JEAN DE RESZKE.

## THE GREAT DAYS AT COVENT GARDEN.

Some recollections, and an appreciation of Jean de Reszke, the great artist whose death was announced were given in an interview with a representative of 'The Observer' by Mr. Herman Klein, president of the Critics' Circle, and the well-known teacher of singing, whose intimate acquaintance with him extended over that brilliant part of his career which began with the first season of Italian Opera given by Sir Augustus Harris at Drury Lane Theatre.

"It was indeed my good luck," he said, "to have the privilege of persuading the impresario, when he decided to start operatic management, to do so with the co-operation of this gifted tenor and his equally famous brother Edouard, who were then both earning great popularity at the Paris Opera. I accompanied S. R. Augustus when he went to Paris to engage them, and was present when the contract was signed. Their appearance in 'Aida' on the opening night of the short summer season in 1887, was not a debut here for either Edouard having sung for several seasons at Covent Garden, while Jean had appeared ten years before at Her Majesty's Opera as a baritone.

"That 'Aida' night was the most brilliant that I can recall, with the exception of the one when Verdi's opera was first produced at Covent Garden with Adelina Patti in the title role; only this time the triumph was for Radames. Such beautiful singing as the new Polish tenor gave us had been heard from the lips of no man since the famous Mario. His successes as Lohengrin and Raoul were no less unforgettable. In a word, the impression that Jean de Reszke created led directly to the renaissance of opera which then began under the regime of Harris after a decade of disappointing failure, during which it seemed that the 'Royal Italian Opera' was doomed to inevitable extinction. Whatever was achieved during the next eight years was due in no small measure to the enormous influence wielded by the presence at Covent Garden of Jean de Reszke, together with his brother and Dame Melba and the rest of that brilliant coterie of great singers."

## IN WAGNER.

"I am proud to have had a hand in the wonderful change that came over the great tenor's career when he began the study of the more advanced Wagnerian roles. I have told in the story of my 'Thirty Years of Musical Life' how I met Jean and Edouard de Reszke at Ems with Lassalle, the celebrated French baritone, and advised them to go straight off to Bayreuth (which I had just left) for the purpose of hearing 'Die Meistersinger'. They went a week later, accompanied by Madame Nordica, the American prima donna, who wrote telling me how deeply impressed they had all been. The result was that in the following year, 1889, we had Wagner's splendid opera at Covent Garden, in Britain, it is true, with the finest Walther that had ever been heard, and certainly the most distinguished that had ever been seen."

## OUR CABARET.

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"Later on Jean de Reszke was to study this and all his other Wagnerian parts in Germany. 'Tristan' and 'Siegfried' he sang in America before doing so here, and his triumph in both parts was equally pronounced on both sides of the Atlantic. He was a truly great all-round artist and his versatility was amazing. He was, in my opinion, the last of the great heroic tenors of the Meyerbeer School, which, in his case, as in that of Niemann and Wilhelmann, proved curiously enough the right school for the training of great Wagnerian heroes. He brought to bear upon all his later impersonations the benefit not only of long stage experience, but the impress of a refined intellect and a cultured mind. Hence their singular variety and degree of psychological interest, notably in parts like 'Tristan' and 'Siegfried'.

LAST APPEARANCE AT COVENT GARDEN.

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## HEAD BLOWN OFF.

Inhabitants of the Riviera resort of Roquebrune, near Cap Martin, were awakened by a loud report from the direction of St. Roan Piege.

Three hours later a Monte Carlo ployer, who was out fishing, discovered the headless body of a man. The shattered remains of the head were found later in the vicinity.

In the man's pocket was a copy of an English newspaper relating a case of suicide by a man who discharged a dynamite cartridge in his mouth. It is presumed that he took his life in a similar manner.

The man is stated by the police to be Mr. William Smith, of Boston, Lincolnshire, aged 37. He is said to have been in business in London and had been staying at an hotel at Monte Carlo.

## PICTURE ROMANCES.

## CURIOUS STORY OF "CRUCIFIXION."

The Persian Consul-General, Henrik Pollak, is in possession of a masterpiece by Tintoretto, "Martyrdom of a Saintly Woman," declared by connoisseurs to be one of the painter's finest works. The Italian Government applied to the Austrian Foreign Office, alleging that the Consul had acquired the picture by illegal means from his relative, Cardinal Locatelli, and demanded its back as its property. The Foreign Office ordered the police to examine the matter, but the Consul was able to prove that he had bought the picture in a legal way. Herr Pollak is now worried daily by agents and would-be buyers, and an American millionaire has sent his private secretary to Vienna, to offer 260,000 dollars. The owner, however, has resisted all temptations.

Another exciting affair concerns a Rembrandt, "The Crucifixion of Christ," one of the four Rembrandt pictures in Austrian private possession. It was the property of an ex-count, who had a castle in Styria, where it was kept. The son, of an art-dealer, became engaged to the ex-count's daughter, and spent a few days at the castle. After he had left, a copy of the picture was found in the place of the original.

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## PASSENGERS.

## DEPARTURE.

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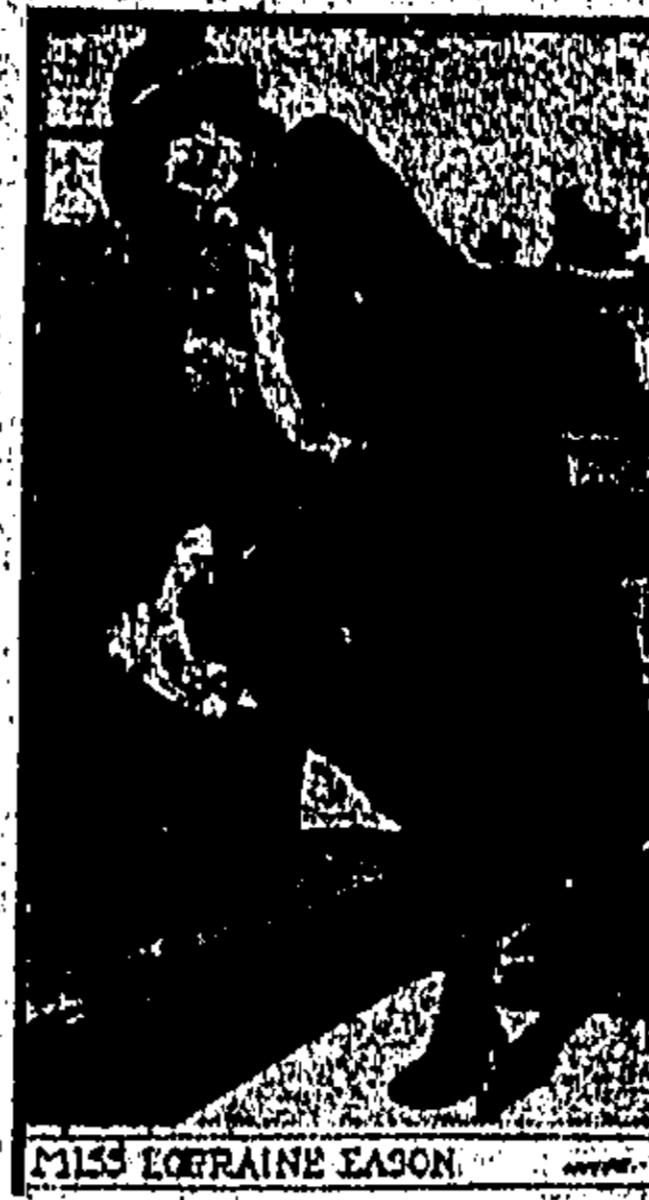


ELIZABETH NARDINA PAYNTER

Young Miss Elizabeth Nardina Paynter, only daughter of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs. C. H. Paynter, of Cornwall, England, is to wed Signor Guglielmo Marconi, the wireless wizard. Their engagement was announced recently and a wedding date set. Miss Paynter is an ardent sportswoman and active in social work.

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MISS LORRALINE EASON

The photo shows Miss Lorraline Eason displaying the latest thing in garters, the Garterola Super-Kneelyne, and it plays. Among its many advantages, Miss Eason says, is that if she wants to do a fox trot while the orchestra is playing a waltz, she may do so by tuning in one of the numerous stations.



GLORIA ROSEBUD O'RAYDER

Refusing to tell where she came from, a girl who registered at a hotel as Gloria Rosebud O'Rayder swallowed poison soon after her arrival. Nearing recovery, she has maintained her secretiveness, promising to "tell all" only after she is discharged from the hospital.



ETHEL &amp; EVELYN WICKMAN

These twin sisters, now twenty-six years old, were identical in appearance when they were three months old. Ethel Wickman, at left, is four feet four inches tall and weighs 68 pounds. Evelyn, who is the wife of a policeman, is five feet seven inches tall and weighs 140 pounds. Physicians cannot account for the difference in development.



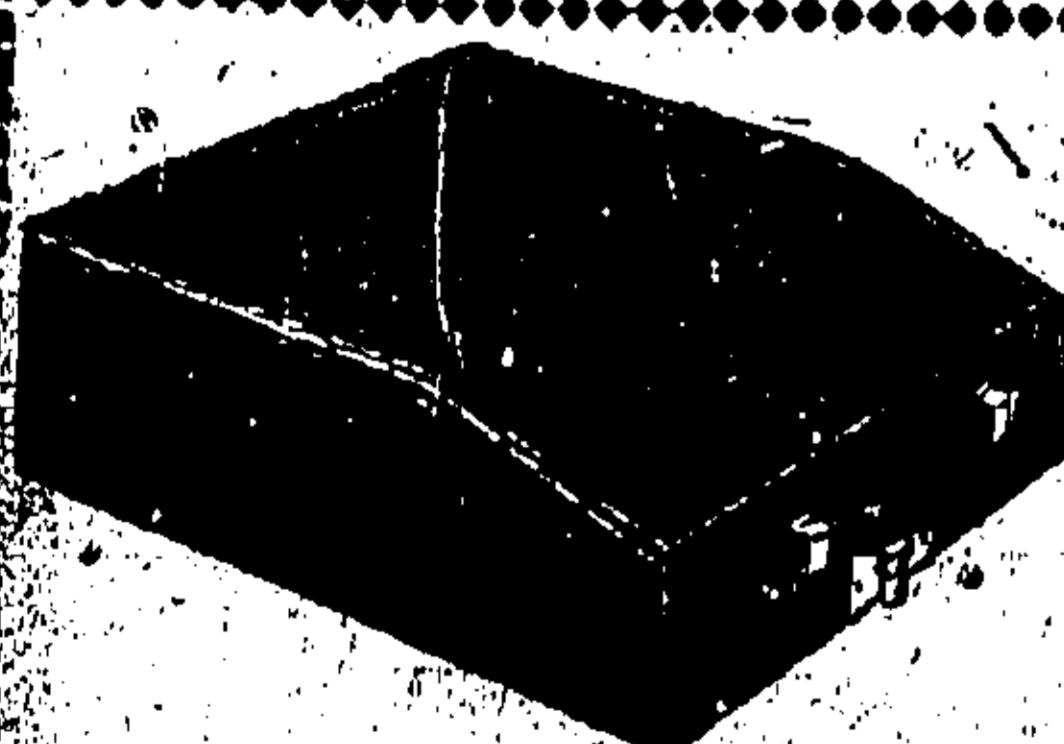
Fritz Ebert, son of the late President Friedrich Ebert of Germany, suffered cuts and bruises when he was attacked in a political row in Berlin.



Above: WINSTON CHURCHILL & PRINCESS HERMINE.  
Below: FRANK O. LOWDEN & CHAUNCEY M. DEPEW

place a heavy export duty on Britain's liquor supply. Princess Hermine, wife of the German ex-Kaiser, has been named as a participant in a monarchist plot, in a British book. Frank O. Lowden, former Governor of Illinois, told the American publishers at a dinner in New York, that agriculture should be as well organized as industry. Chauncey M. Depew, former Senator, financier, railroad man and noted wit, an optimist at 91, declared the world is growing better.

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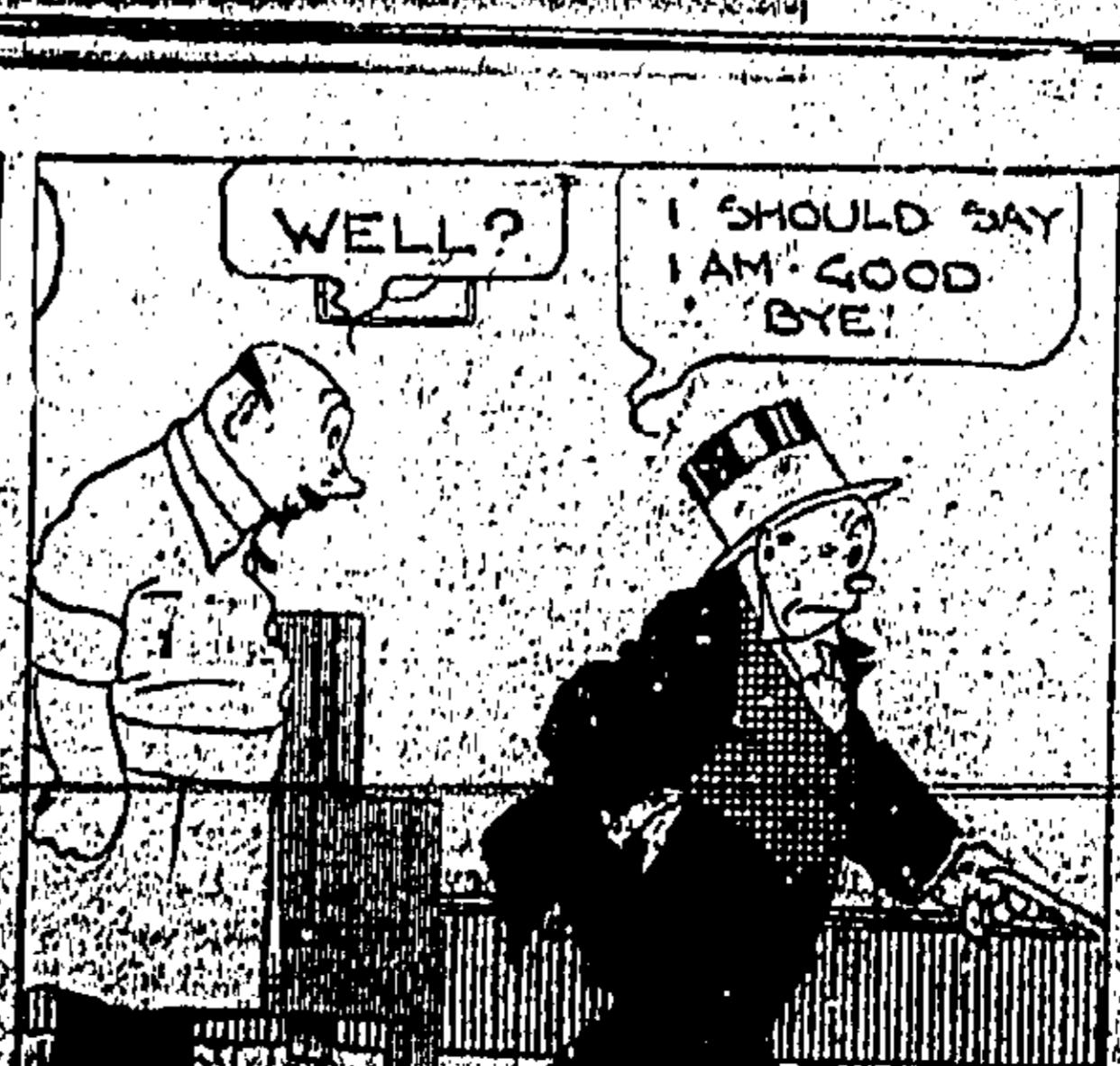
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## FLAG OF FREEDOM.

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Chinese School, (Wanchai), Tak Ying School (Wanchai), To Ying School (Mosque Street), Wu Yan Ying School (Mosque Street), Wu Yan English School (Robinson Road), Sacred Heart School (St. Joseph's Villa), and several other Chinese Schools in Hunghom, Yau Ma Tei, and Sham Shui Po.

Empire Day was suitably celebrated at other churches and the few warships that remain in the harbour "dressed ship" in honour of the occasion. Wreaths and bouquets were laid at the War Memorial at the Cathedral by members of the British community.

An interesting ceremony was that at which pupils and Scouts of St. Joseph's College were awarded prizes for essays on Empire Day. The idea originated with the old Boys' Association of the college and the prizes were awarded by Mr. E. Rudpins to the following:—Class 1: I. C. F. Young; 2, Kwok Tszying; Class 2a: E. Mathias; Class 2b: J. N. Young; Class 3a: P. A. Xavier; Class 3b: E. Abraham; Class 3c: Chin Yen-sang; Class 3d: Clement Lopes; Class 4b: Rowney Lam.

A lawyer got into an argument with a physician over the relative merits of their respective professions.

"I don't say all lawyers are crooks," said the doctor, "but you have to admit that your profession doesn't make angels of men."

"No," retorted the man of law. "You doctors certainly have the best of us there."

A motorist, driving at rather more than regulation speed, overtook a man and a dog. The man jumped to one side, but the dog was killed. Instantly the motorist stopped, leapt from the car, pressed two round holes into the man's hand, and drove off.

The man gazed after him, and said to the notes. "He's very kind," he said softly to himself. "I wonder where dog was

## PASSENGERS.

## ARRIVALS.

For A.O.L. s.s. "Pres. Madison" on May 24.—Miss L. Anderson, Capt. C. D. Armstrong, Mr. H. N. Balch, Capt. Mr. G. Brad, Mr. L. Bowker, Mr. and Mrs. G. Brad, Mr. G. Chan, Mr. T. Chao, Mr. Wm. W. Chung, Mr. O. H. Catto, Mr. H. J. Cowley, Mr. D. Comer, G. E. E. Day, Mr. G. E. Day, Mr. William Hall, Mr. H. S. Hall, Mr. S. W. Ho, Master D. Ho, Mr. and Mrs. E. Ho Wing, Miss D. Ho Wing, Master Ho Wing, Mr. E. Holland, Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Hung, Master K. C. Hung, Messrs. S. Koo, H. C. Kuan, J. S. Kunkle, S. Lee, Y. M. Lin, Mr. and Mrs. W. Lo, Capt. E. M. Morris, Rev. F. K. Quick, Mrs. W. Hanney, G. B. Reed, J. F. V. Sibero, S. N. Schobert, A. E. Schweiger, C. V. Starr, E. Ferraro, James Thom, Mr. and Mrs. E. Thom, Miss M. Tee, Miss B. Tee, K. Tee, Miss F. Tee, Miss C. Tee, Mr. C. W. Wong, Capt. N. H. West, Mr. S. F. Wixson, Mr. and Mrs. A. Anguita, Mr. A. Anguita, Mr. and Mrs. B. Barron, Major R. S. Bratton, Mrs. V. C. Brown, Lt. E. Brown, Mrs. V. E. Bullock, Mrs. A. Dufus, Mrs. V. E. Dufus, Dr. J. M. Fauchat, Mr. and Mrs. S. Feldstein, Lt. E. O. Hopkins, Mr. G. Imai, Mr. H. J. Jaeger, Mr. and Mrs. L. G. James, Mrs. E. E. Leiderman, Master Victor MacAdams, Misses James F. Oseval, A. L. R. E. H. O. Ty and Mrs. H. Worthes.

## CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

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Cargo arrived per s.s. "Bengal" remaining undelivered after June 4, will be liable to rent Agent — Olby Livigation Co. Ltd.

Shanghai, May 23.—The head-

quarters of the Royal Air Force

association of Shanghai were opened today in the Hongkong-Bank building by Captain V. J. B. Holland, the Chairman. The Association has been formed to

promote interest among officers

of the R.A.F. and units R.A.F.

Efforts are being made to

secure two machines from Eng-

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plete)  
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FROM SWATOW.

May 29.—N.H.K. Songhai Maru.

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FROM SHANGHAI.

May 23.—B. F. Tjachan.

27.—J.C.J.L. Tjikrag.

29.—A.O.L. Tjibodas.

30.—N.Y.K. Coloute Maru.

FROM JAPAN.

May 29.—N.Y.K. Moji Maru.

30.—N.Y.K. Calotta Maru.

31.—N.Y.K. Okawa Maru.

FROM SINGAPORE.

May 26.—P. O. Titan.

30.—P. O. Toteisei.

June 26.—P. O. Soudan.

Aug. 6.—P. O. Sidi.

FROM BOMBAY.

June 8.—P. O. Sardinia.

11.—P. O. Data.

July 9.—P. O. Soudan.

Aug. 6.—P. O. Sidi.

FROM MANILA.

May 26.—C.P.S. Empress of Russia.

June 1.—U.S.S.B. West Carmona.

1.—A.O.L. Pres. Madison.

2.—C.P.S. Empress of India.

12.—A.O.L. Pres. Jackson.

21.—A.O.L. Pres. McKinley.

29.—A.O.L. Pres. Jefferson.

July 7.—A.O.L. Pres. Grant.

Aug. 4.—B. F. Tanda.

Sept. 4.—B. F. Tanda.

FROM JAYA.

May 28.—J.O.L. Tjialak.

31.—J.C.J.L. Tjileboet.

FROM SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

June 5.—E. & A. Aratara.

17.—N.Y.K. Aki Maru.

July 3.—E. & A. St. Albans.

15.—N.Y.K. Mishima Maru.

21.—N.Y.K. Aki Maru.

Aug. 7.—B. F. Tanda.

Tango Maru.

Sept. 11.—E. & A. Aratara.

18.—N.Y.K. Aki Maru.

Oct. 9.—E. & A. St. Albans.

14.—N.Y.K. Mishima Maru.

Dec. 18.—N.Y.K. Aki Maru.

FROM SEATTLE, VANCOUVER, ETC.

May 25.—N.H.K. Kata Maru.

June 5.—A.O.L. Pres. Jackson.

10.—B. F. Achilles.

12.—N.Y.K. Yo Maru.

17.—A.O.L. Pres. McKinley.

22.—A.O.L. Pres. Jefferson.

July 1.—B. F. Philoctetes.

8.—B. F. Shidzuka Maru.

11.—A.O.L. Pres. Grant.

23.—A.O.L. Pres. Madison.

29.—B. F. Tallyblu.

Aug. 17.—B. F. Tardos.

Sept. 16.—B. F. Achilles.

Oct. 13.—B. F. Philoctetes.

19.—B. F. Tardos.

Nov. 17.—B. F. Tardos.

Dec. 17.—B. F. Achilles.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO.

May 30.—T.K.K. Shinyo Maru.

June 7.—T.K.K. Korea Maru.

10.—D.S.L. Pres. Lincoln.

16.—T.K.K. Korea Maru.

22.—T.K.K. Shinyo Maru.

27.—T.K.K. Siberia Maru.

July 14.—T.K.K. Siberia Maru.

27.—T.K.K. Tsuiyo Maru.

FROM LOS ANGELES.

May 28.—U.S.S.R. West Jester.

June 4.—U.S.S.R. West Prospect.

FROM EUROPEAN PORTS.

May 28.—B. L. Benodier.

June 1.—J.C.J.L. Selabanga.

5.—N.Y.K. Hakozaki Maru.

8.—N.Y.K. Matanya Maru.

19.—N.Y.K. Hakozaki Maru.

23.—A.O.L. Oldenirk.

FROM MARSHALLS.